



PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application: Charles W. Krespach, et. al Group Art Unit: 3611  
Serial No.: 10/690,412 Examiner: Winner, Tony  
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Title: TOWING ASSEMBLY

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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**RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

Dear Sir:

Applicants acknowledges receipt of the Office Action dated September 20, 2006, setting a shortened statutory period for response of three months (initial response due December 20, 2006). As this response is being filed under a Certificate of Mailing dated February 20, 2007 with a petition for a two-month extension of time and the corresponding fee, Applicants believe no additional fees are due. If, however, any additional fees are due related to the filing of this Response, please charge Deposit Account No. 13-0265.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the following comments in examining the present application.